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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents **BOX MISSING PARTS** Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS

Figs. 1, 2,3, 4 and 5 have been amended to include the appropriate margins and labeling. Please substitute Figs. 1-5 with the attached formal drawings submitted herewith under separate paper.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete paragraph 13 in its entirety and substitute the following paragraph.



[0013] Figure 2 shows the C-terminal sequences of melittin and melittin-like peptides (left) and illustrates that the ε -amino groups of the two lysines are coupled with two glutamate residues to neutralize the positive charges of the terminus (right).

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(iii), a marked-up version of the amended paragraph is set forth at the end of this response under the heading "Marked-up Version of Specification".